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1. LOMF EXPRESS MAY 31 PRINTED SECOND MOZAMBIQUE DEFENSE MINISTRY COMMUNIQUE ON THE CURRENT RHODESIAN MILITARY INCURSIONS INTO MOZAMBIQUE. THE COMMUNIQUE NOTES FOR THE FIRST TIME COMBAT IN TETE PROVINCE, STATING THAT ON THE MORNING OF MAY 28 ENEMY TROOPS IN HELICOPTERS AND SUPPORTED BY AIRCRAFT UNLEASED "ARMED PROVOCATIONS" AGAINST THE AREA OF CHIOCO, 120 KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF TETE CITY. DURING THIS ATTACK RHODESIAN AIRCRAFT IS REPORTED TO HAVE DROPPED NAPALM BOMBS, AND THE MOZAMBIQUE ARMY (FPLM) TO HAVE SHOT DOWN ONE HELICOPTER AND TWO AIRCRAFT.

2. THERE WAS NOT FURTHER ANNOUNCEMENT ON THE RHODESIAN ATTACKS UNCLASSIFIED

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IN THE CHICUALACUALA-MAPAI AREA OF GAZA PROVINCE REPORTED REFTEL.

3. LOCAL PRESS NOTED THAT TETE GOVERNOR ANTONIO THAI HAD CLAIMED ON MAY 27 THAT FPLM HAD SHOT DOWN A RHODESIAN BOMBER.DE PREE

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